

# JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

*We hope everyone had a great holiday season and rang in a Happy New Year! As we step into 2025, let's remember that each stitch we make is a little piece of art, a thread that binds us all in our shared passion. Let's continue to inspire each other, learn new techniques, and celebrate the beauty of handmade creations.*

*Here's to more cozy projects, vibrant yarns, and the wonderful community we've built. May this year bring you even more opportunities to craft, connect, and create lasting memories to those we donate our blankets to.*

*Let's make 2025 a year full of color, warmth, and creativity!*

*Happy crocheting, and here's to a fantastic year ahead!*

## **MEETINGS:**

### **NIGHT MEETING**

**WHEN:** Wednesday January 29, 7 pm

**WHERE:** Salvation Army London Citadel (555 Springbank Drive – the corner of Springbank Drive and Wonderland Road)

### **DAY MEETING**

**WHEN:** Thursday January 30, 10 am

**WHERE:** Eastern Star Temple (800 Fanshawe Park Road East, London)

## **NEXT CLUBHOUSE DROP IN DAY:**

**Saturday January 11th (2025) 10 am - 1 pm @ the Clubhouse (111 Waterloo Street, Lower Level) [volunteersignup.org/KXQWP](https://volunteersignup.org/KXQWP) -> Please click on the web link (or copy it into your web browser) to go to the sign up sheet.**

Please ensure to sign up via the links to show us your intention to drop in, to sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

**February - Thursday the 13th - 11:00 - 2:00 [volunteersignup.org/479M8](https://volunteersignup.org/479M8)**

**March - Wednesday the 12th - 1:00 - 4:00**

## **TEDDY BEAR TOSS 2025 PREP**

Please bring dressed bears to the monthly meetings for accumulation throughout the year.

Bears will be available for pick up at the January meetings for those who volunteered to dress the bears and anyone else who would like to.

**3rd ANNUAL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN** *Warming Our Community* has continued to climb. We are well on our way to our \$10,000 goal. As of December 31st the campaign results are cash donations \$1,318.80 and in kind donations \$416.52 = total donations \$1,735.32. Year to Date (YTD) \$6,841.66.

## SILENT AUCTION BLANKET UPDATES

**Alzheimer's Society** - Cabin Fever Reliever Gala held on Saturday February 8th, in it's 32nd year of holding this event. Proceeds raised will support local counselling, education, support and recreation programs and services for patients and families in Elgin, Middlesex and Oxford counties.



## BLANKETS COLLECTED:

At our last meetings we had the following # of blankets turned in:

**Full:** 36  
**Lap:** 26  
**Baby:** 17

Blankets Donated last month:

FULL	LAP	BABY	AGENCY
20	20	20	Glen Cairn Resource Centre
20	15		Indwell
10	20		St Thomas YWCA
10	15		Street Level Women at Risk
10			Women's Rural Resource Centre
16	6		My Sister's Place

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We have had a good response to the volunteer duties & opportunities. If you have any questions about the various opportunities, want to try out an opportunity or have an opening in your

schedule that allows you to sign up for one, please email [crochetcluboflondon@gmail.com](mailto:crochetcluboflondon@gmail.com) or speak with a board member at the meetings or the clubhouse.

## THANK YOU'S

“A big YMCA thank you to The Crochet Club of London (c/o member Marion Honsberger) for thinking of our residents and youth. With over 140 volunteers they have generously donated beautiful and cozy blankets to us along with many other agencies in the area. We are so grateful!” - posted on the YMCA Facebook page

If you have any further questions or concerns please contact [crochetcluboflondon@gmail.com](mailto:crochetcluboflondon@gmail.com)

